



HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

To grow in Christ together, to equip for service, to care for all.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

27 August 2017

**Twelfth Sunday
After Pentecost**



*Please join us for morning tea
after the services.*

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
Celebrant and Preacher: Revd Chris Lewis

10.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION and Children's Church**
Celebrant and Preacher: Revd Chris Lewis

WELCOME TO HOLY COVENANT

It is my prayer that you will find God's grace and peace with us today. A detailed parish information brochure is available at the sound desk alcove.

For your information today:

The **8 am service** uses a green prayer book and a red hymn book. The service assistant will tell us the **page** number for the green book and the **hymn** (not the page) number for the red book.

The **10 am service** has everything needed on PowerPoint. Some parts of the service like the Hymn of Praise and the Gloria are sung. The musical settings are available in a black plastic folder on the bookcase at the door of the church. During the third hymn a plate will be passed amongst the congregation. Please contribute as you are able.

COMMUNION We are an Anglican community and share the common cup. If you would prefer not to (or you are not feeling well today) an intincting cup is available. Hold your wafer of bread and an assistant will bring the small cup to you.

Gluten free wafers are available. Please ask the priest distributing the breads.

God invites us **all** to share this holy meal. Regardless of your denomination (or none) you are welcome to participate. If you are uncomfortable with this, please come for a blessing.

You may like to light a candle in the **CHAPEL** at the back of the Worship Centre following communion.



TOILETS are found through the door past the kitchen. A baby change area is located in the Disabled toilet. Please take all used nappies with you.

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE have their own groups during the 10 am service. The young people start in the service and go out with their leaders after the first hymn, returning to share communion with the whole community. You are welcome to stay with your child.

Don't worry about missing the sermon 😊 it is recorded and available on the web page.

We are committed to ensuring our community is safe for all who worship or visit here. The Diocesan hotline number is 1800070511 if you have any concerns.

With God's blessings,
Canon Margaret, Rector

WE WELCOME back Chris Lewis to our Services this morning as our Preacher and Celebrant. Chris was with us for 2 years as a student. It's great to have you among us again Chris.

IN THE PARISH on Sunday 3 September - 13th Sunday after Pentecost

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sandie Kaine

10.00 am FAMILY SERVICE
Celebrant: The Revd Sandie Kaine

3.30pm Rainbow Fellowship

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Who do the people say I am and who do you say I am?

Caesarea Philippi lies about 45K's North East of the Sea of Galilee. It was well away from the domain of Herod Antipas, the ruler of Galilee. The population was mainly non Jewish so there were no pressing crowds around Jesus seeking to hear him, to touch him and to be healed. In fact, he felt reasonably sure he would not even be recognised. He stood there amidst the temples of the Syrian god's, the statues of the ancient Greek gods and the marble splendour of the Caesar worship. It's almost like he came here to put himself among a backdrop of world religion.

Jesus time was short. His days in the flesh were numbered and he was anxious and worried. Were there any of his disciples, his closest friends who understood him? Was there anyone who recognised him for who and what he was? The answers and confirmation he sought were critical to the Christian faith, for his ministry to go on after him.

The immensity of the question Jesus asked his followers is staggering. I would imagine Peter's answer did not come without some hesitation, some shuffling of his feet and anxious silence. Then he looked at Jesus and he saw. Peter's answer when it came sliced right through the silence. 'I believe that you are the Son of God.' With this revelation Peter, 'the rock' was assigned the responsibility of building the church of God.

Many have looked at Jesus but many have not seen him.

Where do we stand in 2017? Have we had a similar epiphany to Peter where we can stand squarely before Jesus and look into his eyes and know who he is? Can we truly say 'I believe you are the Son of God? If our answer is 'yes', then have we not also been assigned to be 'the rock' in this church, this parish? Every one of us here has a role to play in keeping the church of God raised up and moving forward, for Jesus. Not just in name but in action. To keep the church of God in this patch, our patch, so positive in service and love that people around us, and among us, will know that we know who Jesus is.

Put yourself in Peter's sandals for a minute and where his name is used by Jesus, substitute it for yours saying: 'Jesus said to Peter (your name) Who do you say I am?' Simon Peter (your name) answered. 'You are the messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him. 'Blessed are you Simon (your name) son of Jonah! For flesh and blood have not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter (your name) and on this rock I will build my church and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.

Archdeacon Anne

**DON'T FORGET TO WEAR
YOUR NAMETAG!**

**Need one? Put your name on the
list on the desk up the back.**

CARD FOR MARGARET

There is a card on the table near the
Font for us to send greetings and words
of encouragement to Margaret.

PARISH NOTICES

Holy Covenant Parish Retreat *Living Contemplatively*

Life is not the way it's supposed to be.

It is the way it is.

How we deal with it makes the difference!



Friday 13 October 2017 –

Sunday 15 October 2017

St Clement's, Kalangan Road, Galong, NSW

This retreat will be facilitated by Rob Maron, a member of our 10 am congregation.

Living contemplatively is a way of seeking God's presence in the midst of life's challenges, or to put it another way, of being present to a presence that is already there. During the retreat we will be exploring writings and practices that will help us to live more contemplatively – more mindful of what it means to be fully human, fully alive. While this is largely a silent retreat, there will be designated times of sharing.

Brochures with more information on the sign-up board at the back of the church and there is an **Early Bird discount if you register before 15 September.**



BREATHING SPACE BOOK SERIES

What Do You Seek? The Questions of Jesus as Challenge and Promise by Michael Buckley.

Are you ready for a challenge? Michael Buckley claims that Jesus asks questions that unsettle and challenge and cut to the heart of human experience. This is an opportunity to come

together to share our responses to a different question from John's gospel each week.

You will need to purchase the book. (Cost \$20). Please indicate on sign-up sheet if you want one of the copies Anne has ordered.

When and Where: Wednesday evenings in the Rainbow Centre, 7.30-9pm
September 6, 13, 20, (not 27) October 4, 11, 18.

Facilitator: Anne Dudzinski.

MEN'S DINNER

Friday 15 September 2017

7 pm start, Rainbow Centre,
cost \$20,

There is a sign-up sheet on the board.

Enquiries to Nic Platt 6251
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The sale of Entertainment books, both hard copy and digital raised \$468 for the parish. -Well done and thank you Hilary.

Don't forget to read your book regularly so you know what's available.

SAVE THE DATES

- # Sat 9 September - Saturday Sunset @ Radford Chapel
- # Fri 15 September - **Men's Dinner**
- # Fri 29 Sept. - **Women's get-together** at Bolt Bar, Aranda
- # Sun 27 Sept - Combined Anglican Youth Event at St James Holt in Evening
- # 6 - 8 October - HC Youth Camp @ Camp Cottermouth
- # Thurs 12 October - Community Lunch @ HC
- # 13 to 15 October - Retreat at Galong
- # Sat 28 October - Mini fete and plant sale
- # Friday 17 November - **Women's Dinner**



BEING CHRIST'S BODY

Everyone on the electoral roll will receive a survey ballot from the ABS shortly about same-sex marriage.

It's a process that many are finding distressing. Family and friends who are sexually and gender diverse feel threatened. Many Christians worry about the future of religious freedom. Feelings of hurt and distress grow when disagreements erupt between our neighbours, parents, children and congregation members.

Being Christ's Body is a conversation series about same-sex marriage prepared by the Diocese's Public Issues Commission. It aims to help Christians talk about their disagreements in ways where everyone gets to feel safe, respected and valued. You might find the series helpful as you try to understand what matters and why.

Holy Covenant will host this conversation series on **Sunday afternoons at 3pm from 3 September**. You may wish to download and read the resources by yourself along with Bishop Stuart's pastoral letter from the links below. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board.

Being Christ's Body: a conversation series about same-sex relationships, marriage and the church <http://www.anglicancg.org.au/data/BCBRelease1CompleteFINAL.compressed.pdf>

Bishop Stuart's pastoral Letter (17 August 2017)
http://www.anglicancg.org.au/data/Bishops_Office/Pastoral_Letter_-_Aust_Marriage_Law_Postal_Survey_2017_08_17.pdf

MAKING RECONCILIATION REAL

Reconciliation with Aboriginal people is something that everyone can share. Join us for an evening with Bob Slokee from Australians Together and people from parishes from across northern Canberra to talk about how we can make reconciliation real. The evening will be led by the Public Issues Commission and held in the worship centre,
Thursday 14 September from 7.30pm There is a sign-up sheet on the board.

I CAN'T WAIT TO TELL YOU...



How well the Dying to Talk day seminar went. We were joined by 15 willing participants who took the opportunity to reflect on their priorities in the event of an accident or illness.

If you would like to find out about ways to plan, here is the link for the Dying to Talk website:

<http://dyingtotalk.org.au/>

ACT Health provides an advance care planning service, details are here:

<http://www.health.act.gov.au/our-services/chronic-disease-management/chronic-disease-services/chronic-care-program-advance-care>

If you would like more information or support in any of these areas you are welcome to make a booking with the Wellness Clinic which is held on Thursdays in the HCNM office.

Blessings Archdeacon Anne

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 28 August	10.00 am 10.00am 1.30pm	Worship Centre Kangara Waters Care Cntr Calvary Retirement Village	Covenant Care Holy Communion Holy Communion
Tuesday 29 August	12.30 pm	Worship Centre Chapel	Meditation
Wednesday 30 August	9.30 am 12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Tai Chi Holy Communion, BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 31 August	9.30 am 1.00 pm	Rainbow Centre HCN Office	Scrabble Wellness Clinic (by appt.)
Friday 1 September	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

PARISH PERMISSION FORMS—Last chance today

There are a number of people who have not yet filled in a Parish Permission form. This form is necessary if you want to appear or be included in any Parish records or information sent out. If this is you, there are forms at the back of the church and a purple box to put the completed forms in. Anyone who does not give us their permission by the end of August, will no longer appear on any parish records.

STOP PRESS! Monastery of the Heart (MOTH) resumes in the Rainbow Centre, Friday 1 Sept. 10.30—12pm. New members welcome. Facilitator: Rob Maron.

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PRAYER POINTS FOR WEEK

INTHE WORLD

- ◆ For just and peaceful outcomes to the world's many problems.

IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ For the wisdom to get our national priorities right.

IN THE CHURCH

- ◆ Province of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
- ◆ Anglicare Australia
- ◆ Basement Ministries
- ◆ Synergy Youth
- ◆ Bishop's Gap Year
- ◆ Synergy Camping Coordinator

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ Holy Communion Services at Kangara Waters and Calvary Retirement Village.

- ◆ We pray for all members of our parish family including Nicholas and Judith Platt, Elle Platt and Jerry Platt. Barry and Carol Pogson, Coral Powell and Marjorie Pratt.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer including Bev Barnes, Margaret Campbell, Dawn Hardman, Dianne and Phil Spurway, Janet Williams, Peter Sherman, Margaret Walker, Michael Martin, Johann Sheehan and anyone known to us personally.

◆ COMMEMORATIONS:

Tues: Joan Richards (d. 2007)

Sat: Peter Hall (d. 2015),
Robert Campbell



IN THE SERVICE

Today's Sentence: *Matthew 16: 15-16*

Jesus said to them, 'who do you think I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.'

READINGS:

Exodus 1:8 to2:10
Psalm 124
Romans 12: 1-8
Matthew 16: 13-20



8am HYMNS:

107
572(ii)
446 (A&M Rev
trnspsd 257(ii))
456

COLLECT

O God, fount of all wisdom,
in the humble witness of the apostle Peter
you have shown the foundation of our faith:
give us the light of your Spirit,
that, recognising in Jesus of Nazareth the
Son of the living God,
we may be living stones for the building up of
your holy Church;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **AMEN**



ROSTER TODAY

	8am	10am
Sidespersons	Mandy Squair, Noel Montgomery	Dorothy and Neville Hurst
Readers	Mandy Squair Robert Arthur Anne Ranse	Andrew Hill Dorothy Hurst Neville Hurst
Intercessor	Paul Shelley	Katherine Rainger
Organist	Heather Shelley	Clare Lawlor
Ministry of the Word	Rhonda Thorpe	Tobias Nevile
Deacon	Anne Ranse	Katherine Rainger
Cup	Rhonda Thorpe Anne Ranse	Tobias Nevile, Neville Hurst Extra Bread:
Morning Tea	Noel Montgomery, Sue Paice	Merri Bacon
Children's Church		Karen/Jenny M/T Deranie
Counters	Pater Sherman, Jen Collier	Chris Olsson, Quentin Grafton
Saturday 2 Sept	Cleaning: Penny & Ted Lilley	Flowers: Mel Clark